V. DEMANDS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS

(i) 21—Education

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Minister for Food and Education)*: I move for an additional allotment of Rs. 7,060 under "21-Education 11-Miscellaneous contribution to Medical and Engineering Colleges, etc." to meet the unforeseen commitments described below.—

A contribution of Rs. 1,089 per year has been sanctioned to be paid to the Agricultural College, Coimbatore on behalf of V. K. Damodaran Ezhuthassan, a State candidate who requested for financial assistance on account of his inability to pay the high rate of Rs. 1,200 per annum levied in the college as fees from State candidates. The contributions for 1946-47 have to be paid in 1122. That is one portion of the amount. Then again a sum of Rs. 3,500 being the contribution payable to the Engineering College, Guindy on behalf of the State candidates studying there could not be paid in 1121, as the demand from the college was received only in 1122. The amount was, therefore, paid only in 1122. A sum of Rs. 1,400 payable to the Engineering College, Guindy on behalf of the 2 State candidates selected for the 1946—47 course had to be remitted to the college before the end of 1121, but the actual arrangements for remittance of the amount in the Sub-treasury, Cochin could be completed only in 1122 and accordingly the debit of the amount had to be made to the allotment of 1122, thereby necessitating an additional grant for the purpose in 1122. An additional allotment of Rs. 7,060 is, therefore, necessary under the three items together mentioned above.

CUT MOTIONS

(i) To elicit information concerning Government contribution to Engineering Colleges and the No. of student sselcted

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: I move to reduce the amount of Rs. 7,060 under 21-Education 11—Miscellaneous—contribution to Medical and Engineering Colleges, etc. by Re. 1 to ascertain what the contribution per student at the Engineering College is and also how many students were there in 1121 from Cochin and why the amount was not paid in 1121 itself. Further to ascertain whether the amount has now been actually paid and if so when. I wish to have this piece of information. That is the purpose of the motion.

Mr P. Govinda Menon *(Minister for Food and Education)*: Answer to one of the questions raised by the Hon'ble Member is that the demand from the college was received only in the year 1122. It was included in the budget for the year 1121, but payment was not made in 1121. It had to be paid in 1122 and hence a supplementary demand in this year. Then with regard to the question relating to the contribution for each student, the amount contributed per year per student is Rs. 700. Formerly it was Rs. 800. For the year 1121, there were 10 students in the Engineering College, two for each class. The Hon'ble Member's motion was received very late and I was not able to verify the information from the Office of the Director of Public Instruction. But it is believed that there were 10 students in the year 1121. There are no materials now before me. It is believed that there will be 10 students. I am not sure whether this is correct.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: The purpose is served and hence I do not press the motion.

(by leave withdrawn)

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Minister for Food and Education)*: I move for an additional allotment of Rs. 10,000 under "21-Education—11-Miscellaneous—12-Lump Provision for assumption of Schools".

The Manager, Chandra Memorial High School, Kuttur has represented to Government that he is unable to continue the management of the school due to his old age and that unless the management is assumed by Government the school will have to be closed down very soon. The matter was placed before the Educational Advisory Committee. The Committee has recommended that the school may be assumed by Government as the existence of the school is a real necessity in the locality. It is therefore proposed to assume the management. An expenditure of Rs. 10,000 is estimated to be necessary towards the establishment charges, cost of site, building, etc,. Since no provision exists in the budget for this, an additional allotment of Rs. 10,000 is necessary under 21-Education—11

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